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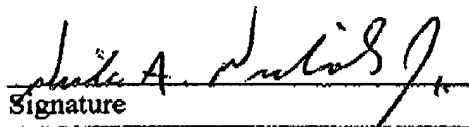
## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of: STEVEN J. LEVERETTE ET AL.  
Serial No.: 10/634,639  
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Title: ULTRA-DEEPWATER TENDON SYSTEM  
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## RESPONSE

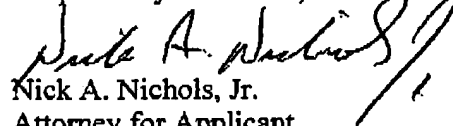
Sir:

In response to the Election of Species Requirement made in the Office Action mailed July 26, 2005, Applicant hereby elects Figs. 2 and 4 (single column platform and synthetic tendon located within steel tendon) from the first group of species and Fig. 8 (dry computer controlled damping system for exerting damping force to disrupt vertical resonance in platform system) from the second group of species. Claims 1-6 read on the elected species. Applicant

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reserves the right to file a divisional application or take such other appropriate measures as he  
deems necessary to protect the non-elected invention and species.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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